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SUBJECT : US-GOB RELATIONS: STATIONING AGREEMENT AND TECHNICAL
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DURING COURTESY CALL ON AMIR MORNING AUG. 25 I OUTLINED USG
RESPONSES TO GOB DESIRE FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO JURISDICTION
ARRANGMENTS IN MIDEASTFOR STATIONING AGREEMENT AND FOR USG
CIVILIAN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PRESENCE IN BAHRAIN. AMIR
EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR USG EFFORTS TO BE RESPONSIVE AND
NOTED URGENCY OF WRAPPING UP MIDEASTFORCE QUESTION. HE REPEATED
CUSTOMARY REFRAIN THAT GOB WELCOMES ANY EVIDENCE OF INCREASED
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BAHRAIN-AMERICAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION, INCLUDING U.S. ADVISORY

ASSISTANCE. HE SAID CABINET WOULD STUDY CAREFULLY
PROPOSED U.S. RESPONSES BUT AS TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
REAFFIRMED CONTINUING GOB INTEREST IN SEEING USG UNDER-
TAKE "SALARY TOPPING" TO BRING COST OF U.S. ADVISORS
DOWN TO LEVEL COMPETITIVE WITH BRITISH AND OTHER ADVISORS
AVAILABLE TO BAHRAIN AND OTHER GULF STATES. AMIR ADDED
HE HOPED MOST WELCOME USG INTEREST IN PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY
AND ADVISORY ASSISTANCE EXTENDED NOT JUST TO BAHRAIN BUT
TO OTHER GULF STATES AS WELL, AND I ASSURED HIM IT DID.
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